

FACILITIES IN KINGS CANYON PARK & USFS AREAS

Grant Grove Area

GRANT GROVE VILLAGE

6600' (2008 m) elevation. This was originally General Grant National Park, created in 1890 to protect sequoias from logging. Here you can see both a pristine grove & one that was logged in the 1800s. In addition to picnicking and horseback riding (see page 3), the village offers:

INFORMATION

- **Kings Canyon Park Visitor Center (NPS):** Daily 9am-4:30pm through 5/4, then 8am-5pm through 6/15. Starting 6/16, 8am-6pm. New exhibits and 15-minute orientation movie! Books, maps, first aid. Local wilderness permits issued 9am-4pm until 5/4, then 8am-4pm. 559-565-4307.

FOOD & SHOPS (KCPS)

- **Restaurant:** Through 5/25: Sunday-Thursday 8am-2pm & 5-7pm (8pm on Friday-Saturday). Starting 5/26: Daily 7am-2pm, 5-9pm.
- **Gift Shop:** Through 5/25, 9am-7pm (8pm Friday-Saturday), then daily 8am-9pm. Souvenirs, film, clothing. ATM in lobby.
- **Market:** Through 5/25, 9am-7pm (8pm Friday-Saturday), then daily 8am-9pm. Groceries, bear canisters, emergency gasoline, supplies.

OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping & Lodging:** See page 10-11 for details.
- **Showers (KCPS):** Opens 5/18 weather permitting. Daily 11am-4pm.
- **Post Office:** Hours may vary. Starting 5/1 Monday-Friday, 9am-3:30pm, Saturday 9-11:30am. Lobby & stamp machine 24 hours. Address visitor mail: c/o General Delivery, Kings Canyon NP, CA 93633. 559-335-2499.

Cedar Grove Area

*Road opens April 28, weather permitting.
Campgrounds alone are open prior to May 4.*

CEDAR GROVE VILLAGE

4600' (1410 m) elevation. This glaciated valley features towering granite cliffs, tumbling waterfalls, and the powerful Kings River — "a rival to the Yosemite," according to John Muir. In summer the area offers picnicking and horseback riding (see page 3), as well as:

INFORMATION & CAMPING (NPS)

- **Visitor Center:** Open 5/27-29 (Memorial Day weekend) 9am-5pm, then closed. Starting 6/17, daily 9am-5pm. 559-565-3793.
- **Wilderness permits:** at Road's End, 6 miles (9.6 km) east of the village. Self-issue permits through 5/25, then 7am-3pm daily.
- **Camping (NPS):** Details on page 11.

FOOD, LODGING & SHOPS (KCPS) Open starting May 4

- **Restaurant:** Counter-service meals & snack bar (not a full-service restaurant). From 5/4-6/8: weekdays 8-10:30am & 5-7pm; Saturday-Sunday 8am-2pm & 5-7pm. Starting 6/9, daily 7am-2pm & 5-9pm. Lunch supplies available at market.
- **Gift Shop & Market:** Salads, sandwiches, supplies, bear canisters, souvenirs, film. From 5/4-6/8: 8am-7pm. Starting 6/9, 7am-9pm.
- **Lodging:** First night open 5/4. See page 10 for details.
- **Showers & Laundry:** From 5/4-6/8: 8am-6pm. Starting 6/9, 7am-7pm. Last laundry load in by 1 hour before closing. Get shower key at market. Shower closed 1-3pm daily for cleaning.

CELEBRATE SEQUOIAS IN SEPTEMBER!

On September 9, join us at the 8th Annual Celebrate Sequoias Festival in Grant Grove Village. Enjoy walks in the groves, music, crafts, kid's activities, and talking to experts about sequoias.



USFS: National Forest & Monument

HUME LAKE & BIG MEADOWS AREAS (FS)

Giant Sequoia National Monument, part of Sequoia National Forest, borders much of the western edge of these National Parks. You are in National Forest when you drive between the park areas of Lodgepole and Grant Grove, and between Grant Grove and Cedar Grove (see page 2 for more on Parks and Forests). It was sold to the government as a Forest Reserve in 1935. It is an excellent place to see recovery from intensive sequoia logging in the late 1800s. Snowy in winter, in summer it offers picnicking & horseback riding (see page 3) as well as:

INFORMATION

- **USFS Hume Lake District Office (FS):** 35860 Kings Canyon Road (Hwy 180) in Dunlap, 19 miles (31 km) west of Kings Canyon Park entrance at Big Stump. Weekdays 8am-4:30pm. From May-September, open 1st Saturday of each month & holiday weekends. Maps, books. 1-559-338-2251; www.fs.fed.us/r5/sequoia.

OTHER SERVICES

- **Camping (FS) & Lodging (private):** See pages 10 & 11 for details.
- **Boyden Cavern:** On Hwy 180 between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove. Cave tours on the hour 11am-4pm through May then 10am-5pm. \$10 ages 14 & up; \$5 ages 3-13; under 3 free. AAA discounts. On Hwy 180 between Grant Grove & Cedar Grove. 209-736-2708.
- **Stony Creek Village (FS):** Open 5/15. Lodging, market, showers. Through 6/10: Market 7:30am-7pm (8pm Friday-Saturday); closed Monday-Tuesday. Call for restaurant hours. Showers 8am-6pm. Starting 6/11: Market 7am-8pm (9pm Friday-Saturday); restaurant Tuesday-Sunday 11:30am-2pm & 5-8pm (9pm Friday-Saturday); closed Monday. Showers 8am-7pm. 1-866-KCANYON or 1-559-565-3909.
- **Montecito-Sequoia Resort (FS):** A permitted resort on public land open year-round. On Generals Highway, 9 miles (14.5km) south of Grant Grove. Through 6/9: breakfast 8-9:30am, lunch 12-1:30pm, dinner 6-7:30pm. Starting 6/10: 7:30-9am, 12-1:30pm, 5:30-7pm. Cabins, hotel, children's activities. 800-843-8677 or 559-565-3388.
- **Historic Guard Station at Big Meadows (FS)** See page 10.
- **Boat & Bicycle Rentals, Swimming, Fishing:** Private facilities open to public at Hume Lake, 8 miles (13km) north of Grant Grove on Hwy 180 then 3 miles (5 km) south on Hume Lake Road. 24-hour laundry (coin operated) & gas station (with credit card). Market weekdays, 8am-12 & 1-5pm, weekends 8am-5pm through mid-June, then Sunday-Thursday 7am-11pm; Friday-Saturday 7am-9pm. Snack bar through 6/10, Friday 3-11pm; Saturday 7am-11pm; Sunday 7am-2pm, then 11am-11pm daily. Call for details: 559-335-2000.

GASOLINE SALES

See page 5 *Rules of the Road - Gasoline* for hours of Hume Lake, Stony Creek, and Kings Canyon Lodge.

NATURE PROGRAMS

IN GRANT GROVE

Saturdays, 2pm through May 27, rangers offer Grant Tree Walks. Starting May 9, we also offer these walks on Sundays. Meet at the Grant Tree parking area for this one-hour, 3/8-mile stroll.

Memorial Day weekend (May 27 & May 28): Campfire programs at Sunset Amphitheater, 8:30pm. See bulletin boards for details.

No programs offered May 30-June 16. June 17-23: check bulletin boards. June 24: Daily walks & campfire talks begin at Grant Grove!

IN CEDAR GROVE

Regular ranger programs begin in late June, but check bulletin boards for occasional programs before then.

